

# **Adaptation Planning Guide Update**

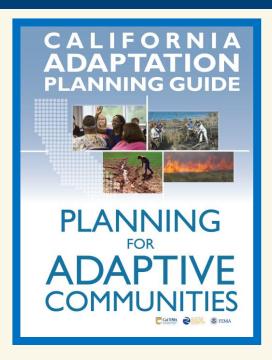
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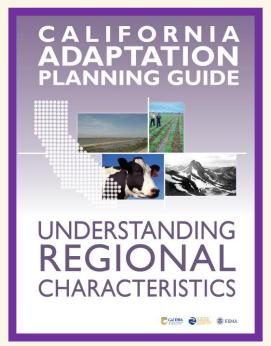
#### **Discussion Overview**

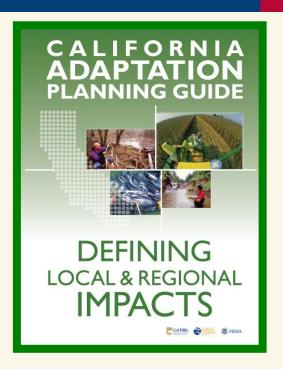
- An overview of the Adaptation Planning Guide (APG)
- The update process for this coming year
- Your guidance and feedback on the process and the Council's involvement in the process

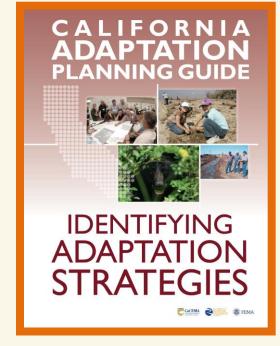
## **Adaptation Planning Guide (APG)**

- Set of four complementary documents to guide communities in addressing the unavoidable consequences of climate change
  - Focuses on the need to adopt long-term approach by:
    - Explaining region- and sector-specific climate impacts
    - Providing risk identification tools, assessment procedures, and adaptation strategies
- Published by Cal OES and CNRA in 2012
  - First of its kind at the time
  - Due to rapid development in the adaptation space, the documents are now incredibly dated
    - No longer user-friendly









### **APG Update Project**

- Senate Bill No. 246 mandates the APG is updated
  - Purpose:
    - Equip local and regional governments the latest adaptation resources and planning methodologies
    - Incorporate findings from California's 4<sup>th</sup> Climate Assessment and 2018 Safeguarding California Plan
    - Integrate with the Adaptation Clearinghouse (including potential alignment with federal 5-step process on US Climate Resilience Toolkit)
    - Streamline with other State climate documents

### **APG Update Project (continued)**

- Update Team
  - Cal OES is the project lead
    - Works closely with OPR and CNRA through an interagency planning work group
  - AmeriCorps CivicSpark climate fellow
  - Third-party contractor (TBD)

### **Complimenting Legislation**

- Senate Bill No. 379 requires inclusion of climate change adaptation strategies into the safety element of general plans and encourages inclusion of climate into local hazard mitigation plans (LHMP)
- Senate Bill No. 1000 requires inclusion of environmental justice into the safety element of general plans; recommends inclusion into LHMP
- Senate Bill No. 1241 revises safety element requirements of general plans to address the risk of fires within state responsibility areas and very high fire hazard severity zones
- Assembly Bill 2140 encourages adoption of LHMP into general plan as safety element (occurs after LHMP approval)

### Together, this legislation:

- Ensures that local and regional governments incorporate long-term strategies in their planning to build sustainable and resilient communities
- Presents the opportunity to develop the APG into an innovative and action-oriented planning tool

#### **Update Process**

 Internal review of APG documents • Compile list of information gaps, desired changes/edits, resources to Sept. 2018 incorporate as mandated by law Collect input from public and private entities through regional workshops and engaging with local jurisdictions Oct 2018 to Analyze and categorize feedback; map out content-development plan Jan. 2019 Develop first draft • Internal review of APG draft; make any necessary changes before releasing draft for public review **April 2018**  Release 45-Day Public Review Draft Incorporate necessary changes **April 2018**  Publish and promote finalized draft Build out of online interface on Adaptation Clearinghouse July to late 2019

## Our outside help

- AmeriCorps CivicSpark climate fellow
  - Assists with coordination of regional workshops and project management
  - Engages with local jurisdictions within the central valley and along the coast to understand capacity needs
- Contractor will be brought on to assist with APG
  - Assist with many aspects of compiling, re-drafting, and including relevant information benefiting local jurisdictions
- Public RFP process to commence very shortly (exact dates TBD)
- Will work with OPR's Adaptation Clearinghouse as well as other sites to make the guides web-user friendly

#### Feedback

- For those on the Council who are aware of or have used the APG:
  - Is there anything needed that is not currently present in the Guides that would be helpful?
  - The current plan is four small resource volumes. Would one consolidated document be preferred? Other format considerations?
- How would the Council like to be involved as the APG project proceeds and matures?

Thank you!